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Reveals That "Pe-ru-na" is Calculated to
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SO SAYS PROF. L. J. MILLER, CHEMIST.



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Northern Neck Sunday-School.

The Northern Neck Baptist Sunday-school Convention met with the Fairfields Baptist church in Northumberland county, Saturday, Ass 8 Rice, of Heathsville, was moderator. Several addresses were made on Saturday.

A large crowd attended Monday. The church was packed.

Rev. F. W. Claybrook, of Kilmarnock, Lancaster county, preached the annual sermon. At recess the ladies spread a sumptuous dinner. In the afternoon the readings of essays and short addresses followed. The next convention will be held at Rappahannock church, Richmond county, in May, 1903.

The most extensive cemetery in the world is that at Rome, in which over six million human beings have been interred.

A Grandfather at 22.

Mr. Henry Maxey, of Roanoke, has become a grandfather at the age of 22. He boarded with Mrs. Annie Flenor, and deciding to change his domestic status from boarder to landlord, he and Mrs. Flenor were married. Mrs. Maxey is 48 years of age, and has three grown daughters. Two of them are married. There are five grandchildren.

Beware Of A Cough.

A cough is not a disease but a symptom. Consumption and bronchitis, which are the most dangerous and fatal diseases, have for their first indication a persistent cough, and if properly treated as soon as this cough appears are easily cured. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has proven wonderfully successful, and gained its wide reputation and extensive sale by its success in curing the diseases which cause coughing. If it is not beneficial it will not cost you a cent. For sale by M. M. Lewis, druggist.

"Builds up the System."
Hon. Joseph H. Ridgeway, Secretary of the American Anti-Treat Society, writes the following letter from the Grand Central Hotel, St. Paul, Minn.:

"It is with great pleasure that I endorse Peruna as an honest medicine, competent to do all it claims. I have used it several times and know of nothing that cures so completely, and at the same time builds up the system. I have recommended it to a number of my friends and always feel that I do them a service for I know how satisfactory the results invariably are. I only wish every family had a bottle—it would save much sickness and doctor bills."—Joseph H. Ridgeway.



"Feel Better Than For Five Years."

Mr. James B. Taylor, Roberts, Ind., writes:
"I am at the present time entirely well. I can eat anything I ever could. I took five bottles of Peruna, and feel better now than I have for five years. I have doctored with other doctors off and on for fifteen years, so I can recommend your medicine very highly for stomach troubles. I take great pleasure in thanking you for your free advice and Peruna."—James B. Taylor.

"I Enjoy My Meals as I Used to."

Mr. J. W. Pritchard, Wolf Lake, Ind., writes:
"I am pleased to say that I have been cured of catarrh of the stomach by Peruna. I could hardly eat anything that agreed with me. Before I would get half through my meal my stomach would fill with gas causing me much distress and unpleasant feelings for an hour or two after each meal. But, thanks to your Peruna, I am now completely cured, and can eat anything I want to without any of the distressing symptoms. I can now enjoy my meals as I used to do, and it is all due to Dr. Hartman and his wonderful medicine, Peruna.

"It has been one year since I was cured, and I am all O. K., yet so I know I am cured."—J. W. Pritchard.

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Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

U. S. POSTAL CLERK ARRESTED.

Charged With Cutting Pouches Open and Rifling Registered Letters.

Wade Hampton Berry, a postal clerk of Virginia, running on the Southern Railway between Washington and Charlottesville, was arrested Tuesday on the charge of the larceny of several registered letters from mail pouches. He was arraigned before Commissioner Fowler at Alexandria. The prisoner waived examination, and was held in the sum of \$1,000 bail for his appearance before the grand jury of the Court in July. Bail was furnished by the prisoner's father, William F. Berry.

The arrest of Berry was made by Post-office Inspector Little, assisted by several other inspectors. It is reported that many pouches were cut open and 96 registered letters, aggregating to a large amount of money, were stolen. The thefts have been reported from time to time, and the inspectors have been working for sometime on the case. It is said that four others are under suspicion, and other arrests are expected. Mr. Berry is twenty-three years of age and unmarried. He resides at Harrisonburg, Va., with his father.

Like a Drowning Man.

"Five years ago, a disease the doctor called dyspepsia took such hold on me that I could scarcely go," writes Geo. S. Marsh, well known attorney of Norona, Tex. "I took quantities of pepin and other medicines but nothing helped me. As a drowning man grabs at a straw I grabbed at Kodol. I felt an improvement at once and after a few bottles am sound and well." Kodol is the only preparation which exactly reproduces the natural digestive juices and consequently is the only one which digests any good food and cures any form of stomach trouble. D. C. Bowman.

The retirement of Maj.-Gen. John R. Brooke and Lloyd Wheaton in July next already has started a lively competition for promotions.

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KING GEORGE.

The Confederate Monument at King George Courthouse the First Erected in Virginia—Personals, Etc.

(Correspondence of THE FREE LANCE.)

King George Co., Va., May 29, 1902.

We read with deep interest a communication in THE FREE LANCE from a King Georgian signed "An Old Timer" in which a proposition was made to appoint a Decoration Day at which time the Confederate monument at King George, and the grave of Col. Charles R. Collins in St. John's Church yard, shall be decorated with flowers. June Court Day is proposed as a suitable day. We heartily endorse the proposition, and suggest that the ladies of the county be solicited to send flowers and floral designs to the members of the Collins Garnett Camp, who will do the decorating. The writer—"An Old Timer"—in speaking of the monument erected to the Confederate dead at King George, says, our handsome shaft was the result of the energy of two noble ladies, the late Mrs. Dr. Stuart, and Mrs. Wm. S. Brown. These two ladies of blessed memory were indeed indefatigable in this work of love that lay so near the hearts of all true Southern women, but the name of Mrs. Charles Mason must be linked with those of Mrs. Stuart and Mrs. Brown in this work. These three ladies united their best efforts to raise funds to erect the monument, which was the first to the Confederate dead that was erected in the State of Virginia.

Together, they planned, worked, and inspired others to work, till they saw their efforts crowned with success. Equal honor was due them, and there never was a spirit of rivalry in the work. We are under the impression that there were only two monuments erected in the whole Southland prior to the one at King George. We would like to call attention to the fact that our monument is sadly in need of attention. It is very much soiled and weather-stained, and presents a neglected appearance. Before it is decorated with flowers it ought to be put in a more presentable condition. This could be done at little or no cost if the ladies would only take the matter in hand, and it would be continuing a work which noble hands laid down years ago. Who will lead in this matter?

Mrs. Wm. Marshall, of Washington, is a guest of her cousin, Mrs. E. L. Garnett, at Spy Hill.

Mrs. J. Robert Baker returned on Saturday from a visit of a week to relatives in Washington.

Mrs. Harry Mills, of Washington, is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. L. Garnett, at her handsome home, "Spy Hill."

Mrs. James Barron, of Essex county, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary Watson, at Colonial Beach.

Among the graduates of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School, of Washington, at the final exercises of the school last evening, was Miss Marie Reid Doherty, of this county, who graduated with honors in the Kindergarten department. She will visit relatives in Baltimore for a week before returning to her home here.

Mr. J. C. Nide expects to go to Baltimore this week on business.

Miss Bessie Mason, of Colonial Beach, is visiting Mrs. H. V. Turner at Woodlawn.

For Over Sixty Years.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pains, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other.

"A woman's association in Topeka had a dinner a few days ago, it is noted, and one of the toasts was: 'Woman: Without Her, Man is a Brute.' The trouble came next day, when the local paper printed it: 'Woman, Without Her Man, is a Brute.' There is a good deal in punctuation after all sometime."—Charleston News and Courier.

Discrepancies.

Some "nature's noblemen" there be Who toil and are not understood; And others boast a family tree Who should forsooth be chopping wood!

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Closing Exercises of the Academy—Successful Entertainment—Notes, Personals, Etc.

(Correspondence of THE FREE LANCE.)

Bowling Green, Va., May 28, 1902.

The closing exercises of the Academy will begin next Monday night, when Rev. Ashby Jones will preach the annual sermon in Calvary Baptist Church, and on Sunday night Prof. Mitchell of Richmond College will deliver the annual address.

Mr. S. W. Broadbush has gone to Philadelphia, where he will spend several days. Mrs. R. O. Pentrose and Mr. L. Ashby Pentrose are spending this week with relatives in Richmond.

Miss Helen Wood returned to her home in Alexandria on Saturday, after a delightful visit to Miss Annie Collins.

Miss Vida Chalkley, of Richmond, is the guest of her friend Miss Fessia Quarles.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather of last Friday night the entertainment given under the auspices of the ladies of Calvary Baptist church was a success. There was a large audience out, and the two plays were well received and greatly enjoyed. The two beautiful solos rendered by Mrs. Howard, of Richmond, added greatly to the entertainment. About \$30.00 was cleared, which will go to the church treasury.

Mrs. J. T. Richards and little daughter left today for Buena Vista, and will attend the commencement exercises of the Southern Seminary of that place. They will be the guests of Rev. E. H. Rowe and family.

Mrs. H. L. Quarles has as her guests her father, Mr. Cowherd, and little niece, Miss Sadie Scott, of Charlottesville.

Mrs. Julia Doswell and Mrs. Paul Doswell, of Taylorville, spent a portion of this week at "Auburn," the hospitable home of Judge E. C. Moncre.

The ladies of the Christian Church will sell ice cream at June Court, the proceeds to go to the church.

Miss Julia Samuel continues quite sick at her home on Main St.

The Bowling Green Baptist Church lot has been greatly improved by a new iron fence which has just been completed.

Miss Loula Henshaw has returned to her home in King and Queen after spending sometime with relatives here.

Miss May Broadbush has returned home from Powhatan county where she has been teaching the past session.

Little Miss Hattie Belt, of Washington, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Louise Haines.

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Spotsylvania.

Interesting School Closing—Good Sum Realized by Ladies of Mine Road Church For Missions.

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Frank Brumbaugh, the contractor, who rebuilt the Jefferson Hotel, has initiated suit to enforce a mechanic's lien on the hotel property for \$37,518.36. The bill states that the complainant has received no pay for his work since November, 1901. The original contract was for \$48,700, and added to this was a bill of extras amounting to \$19,677.36, which the hotel company refused to pay. The company did pay \$17,841 of the original contract, but declined to pay the bill for extras.

"It is with a good deal of pleasure and satisfaction that I recommend Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," says Druggist A. W. Sawtelle, of Hartford, Conn. "A lady customer, seeing the remedy exposed for sale on my show case, said to me: 'I really believe that medicine saved my life the past summer while at the shore, and she became so enthusiastic over its merits that I at once made up my mind to recommend it in the future. Recently a gentleman came into my store so overcome with colic pains that he sank at once to the floor. I gave him a dose of this remedy which helped him. I repeated the dose and in fifteen minutes he left my store smilingly informing me that he felt as well as ever.' Sold by M. M. Lewis druggist.

Ex-Alderman Fred G. Brenner, of Troy, N. Y., a popular and esteemed citizen who thanks Paine's Celery Compound for his present rugged good health, writes for the benefit of weak, nervous, and dyspeptic sufferers; he says:—

"For several years I suffered from nervous troubles; I could not sleep well; nerves seemed to be weak; I had dyspepsia, and was all run down. My appetite began to fail me, and I was discouraged. A friend of mine recommended me to take Paine's Celery Compound. I took two bottles and began to feel better, and by the time I had taken four bottles I was a well man. I have to thank Paine's Celery Compound for my rugged good health to day."

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